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SUBJECT: FHWA ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO ARGENTINA

1. RE YOUR TELEGRAM OF AUGUST 6 AS REQUESTED CUTRELL PLANS
ARRIVING BUENOS AIRES APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER 10 TO ASSIST
WITH UPDATE SUBSYSTEM, HOWEVER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEED-
ED AS FOLLOWS:

A. DOES VIALIDAD NACIONAL (DNV) WANT TO USE THE
IMPROVED BATTERY OF PROGRAMS FOR ANALYZING HIGHWAY
INVENTORY DATA? THESE PROGRAMS DO NOT REQUIRE
MODIFICATION OF EXISTING FIELD DATA OR PROCEDURES.
RESULTANT COMPUTER OUTPUTS ARE BASICALLY UNCHANGED.

B. DOES DNV CONCUR WITH ITEM 4 OF OUR LETTER OF MAY 28
TO COLONEL FERRO REGARDING THE SUFFICIENCY RATING
PROGRAMS?

C. WILL DNV NEED ASSISTANCE WITH THE COMPUTER PROGRAMS
TO ANALYZE TRAFFIC DATA (VOLUMES, CLASSIFICATION AND
TRUCK WEIGHT)?

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2. IF DNV WANTS TO INSTALL IMPROVED BATTERY OF PROGRAMS STRONGLY SUGGEST MRS. CENTENO ACCOMPANY CUTRELL TO ARGENTINA IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH WORK WITHIN ONE MONTH WHICH IS MAXIMUM TIME CUTRELL CAN LEAVE CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES. CENTENO IS HIGHLY QUALIFIED TO DO THIS WORK AS SHE IS CURRENTLY DIRECTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS NEW BATTERY COMPUTER PROGRAM ASSISTANCE ON THIS SYSTEM, THEREFORE, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT SHE BE PHASED INTO YOUR PROGRAM.

3. YOUR FURTHER PROGRAM NEEDS CAN BE EVALUATED AND DISCUSSED WITH CUTRELL AND THE PLANS SUBSEQUENTLY ARRANGED FOR THE FOLLOWING SIX MONTH PERIOD.

4. PLEASE RESPOND TO INFORMATION NEEDED ASAP. KISSINGER

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